

The school committee may designate the teacher or some other competent person to take the school census. The school census must be reported to the teacher, who is required to record it in her register.

Committeemen or other persons taking the census are allowed a sum not exceeding three cents per name for names of all persons between the ages of six and twenty-one reported.

938. Physical Examination of Pupils: The State Board of Health and the State Superintendent of Public Instruction make rules and regulations governing the physical examination of school children. These examinations must be made by teachers, and each child must be examined at least once every three years. A record of the teacher's examination must be sent to the State Board of Health on blank forms furnished by the Board. It is the duty of the Board of Health to examine the record sent in by the teacher, and to notify the parent or guardian of every child whose card shows a serious physical defect, to bring such child before an agent of the Board of Health on a day designated, for the purpose of having the child thoroughly examined. Failure to bring the child before the agent of the Board without good cause shown renders a parent or guardian guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to fine or imprisonment, **Provided** that the distance the child must be carried shall not exceed ten miles. No pupil shall be compelled to submit to medical examination or treatment whose parent or guardian makes written objection.

938 A. Free Dental Treatment: Fifty thousand dollars per year is set aside from the State Public School Fund for the purpose of providing free dental treatment for as many children as possible each year.

939. School Privies: By the laws of 1919 C. .213, S. 1 it is required that in each county the board of education provide two privies at each public school house, one for boys and one for girls. Twenty-five per cent of these have to be installed before September 1919, and twenty-five per cent in each year following, the whole to be completed before September 1922. The county superintendent and the county board of education are held responsible for the execution of this law and are legally liable for failure to carry out its terms. The local district or township committeemen are required to keep the privies in a sanitary condition.

VIII. Compulsory Attendance at Schools.

940. General Compulsory Attendance Law. (Chap. 100 Acts of 1919.) Parents or guardians in charge of children between the ages of eight and fourteen years are required to keep such children in school continuously for a period equal to the time which the public school in the district in which the child resides shall be in session. The